

Barton Hills Elementary PTA
Executive Board Meeting
December 4, 2008

I. Call to Order, Roll Call, and Review Minutes of Previous Meeting-

Tina Weaver

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Tina Weaver.

Attendees: DeAnn Eisenhauer, Kati Achtermann, Lynn Williamson, Tonya Cook, Becky Pursley, Jamie Kaderli, Priscilla Hubenak, Catherine Dadey, Sarah Price, Kelly Tagle, Tina Weaver, Lita Rosario, Mila McCutchen, Clay Boulware, Celia Hagert, Lisa Kerber, Veronica Gonzalez.

II. Secretary Notes

Reviewed minutes from October 7, 2008. Section numbers corrected, "PTA pays Odyssey of the Mind fees but much less" added, for Carnival update, Bret Swartz corrected to Bret Schwab, sister school is Matthews Elementary, Lego League- add "PTA did not pay to start up games". Sarah Price motioned and Lita Rosario seconded. Minutes approved with changes.

III. Fundraising Committee- Lita Rosario

Starting January 14th, Fuddrucker's will join our Partner's in Education. They will have BHE night every 1st Wednesday every Month. Craigo's BHE night will be every 3rd Wednesday.

February will have a skating event.

Applebee's is being considered for a pancake breakfast, sometime in March or April. May will have our last event of the school year- Bowling.

IV. Annual Fund- Kelly Tagle

An agreement was made to continue sending reminders about the annual fund through the newsletter and Thursday Folders.

We are at 40% participation. Celia Hagert suggested setting up a donor table the night of the Holiday Program.

V. Landscaping – Lisa Kerber

BHE will be getting a \$50 grant from a link for seeds.

VI. Music in the Park- Clay Boulware

The topic on what to do with the money from the Rolling Stone's Concert was discussed. The hillside on the playground needs to be addressed. A possible change in traffic pattern by changing the fence to save the terrain, re-grading the hillside by putting a handicap accessible path, create a mulch trail, add a fence to go along the concrete barrier on the playground were several topics that were discussed. Also, replacing the nets on the basketball hoops, new backboards for the basketball hoops; Becky Pursley suggested extending the fence 6 feet further and incorporating a digging area. The goal is to remove erosion. It was suggested that during the summer, to have volunteers to follow the watering schedule and water the campus. Clay will notify parents when something is needed- mulching, watering, etc.

VII. Treasurer's Report- DeAnn Eisenhauer

Cash reconciliation for the carnival was reviewed. 373 medallions were distributed. 280 students paid, 93 students did not, 178 were donated. Parents thought that the first medallion was free. Next year there needs to be clarification that no medallions are free. Those who cannot afford a medallion will receive one. Every category from carnival increased. Profit/Loss- there was no significant amounts. Some parents thought school t-shirts were free.

VIII. Principal's Report- Kati Achtermann

New set up for the Holiday program will be available in email. Kati will be attending a school board meeting regarding the TEA ranking and Gold Performance Acknowledgements (GPA's). BHE received GPA's in reading, writing, math and science. BHE showed improvements in reading, math, science and attendance as part of the pilot strategic compensation initiative. There will be an incentive payout for the teachers who participated. They will receive \$4,000; \$2,000 for Reading, \$2,000 for Math. Payments will be in December. Kati thanked the PTA for nominating her for the HEB recognition award.

XIV. President's Report- Tina Weaver

Reflections chairperson was unable to attend the meeting. There were 5 entries from kindergarten through second grade, and 13 entries from third through sixth grade. Emily Comeaux won her age group among all contestants. 4 students total advanced to the regional competition.

This year a decision was made not to offer Gift Cards due to an increase of bankrupt companies. Gift cards from South Lamar businesses is being considered for next year.

We will know in January the funds raised from Box Tops.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:58 pm.